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1. This communication is responsive to <u>a response filed September 21, 2004</u> .		
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-22</u> .		
3. The drawings filed on 10 October 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.		
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority una) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the: 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received:	e been received. e been received in Application No cuments have been received in this	national stage application from the
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6. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.		
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7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the depo attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT		
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2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	6. ☐ Interview Summary Paper No./Mail Da	(P1O-413), te .
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/0 Paper No./Mail Date	08), 7. ☐ Examiner's Amendr	ment/Comment
4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material	8. ⊠ Examiner's Stateme	ent of Reasons for Allowance

1. Claims 1-22 are pending in the present application.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 1-22 are allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Applicant's response filed September 21, 2004 overcomes the prior art rejection of claims 1-4 citing Brocker et al., claims 13-22 citing Grun, and claims 5-12 citing Brocker et al. and Grun.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Greta L. Robinson whose telephone number is (571) 272-4118. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri. 9:30AM-6:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John E. Breene can be reached on (571) 272-4107. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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PRIMARY EXAMINER

Greta Robinson Primary Examiner November 3, 2004